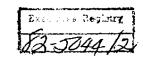
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Honorable Edward P. Boland, Chairman Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515 (Identical Ltrs to SSCI - Goldwater & __Mazzoli

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I know I share your concern with respect to allegations by former Department of Justice Attorney John Loftus that the Office of Policy Coordination (OPC) arranged to bring Nazi war criminals into the U.S. I asked for and have received a staff report about this matter which I am forwarding to you.

The Agency has spent considerable time reviewing its files for information about former Nazis who have entered the United States. First, in connection with a 1978 Comptroller General's report (Tab B), later in connection with an investigation of the House Judiciary Committee's Subcommittee on Immigration and Refugee Affairs under the leadership of former Congresswoman Elizabeth Holtzman, and more recently in connection with the Department of Justice's effort to find, denaturalize and deport Nazi war criminals, Agency officials have reviewed the available records on some 500 individuals whose names were submitted to us. In addition to Office of Security and Directorate of Operations files, records of predecessor organizations, such as the Office of Policy Coordination, have been searched. It was on the basis of these searches that the enclosed report has been written.

You can be assured the General Counsel and Deputy Director for Operations will cooperate fully with your Committee in any inquiry into this matter.

William J. Casey
Director of Central Intelligence

OGC Review Completed.

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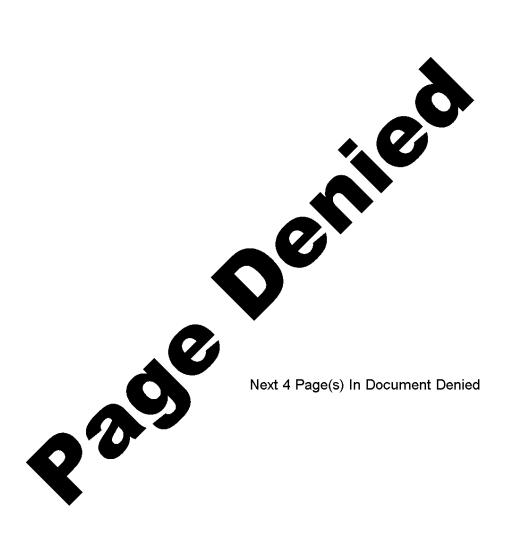
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REPORT BY THE

Comptroller General

OF THE UNITED STATES

Widespread Conspiracy To Obstruct Probes Of Alleged Nazi War Criminals Not Supported By Available Evidence— Controversy May Continue

There was, in the past, a lack of progress by the Immigration and Naturalization Service in investigating and prosecuting alleged Nazi war criminals residing in the United States.

Controversy has existed as to whether the lack of progress was due to a conspiracy involving Service personnel and possibly other Federal agencies.

It is unlikely that a widespread conspiracy existed, but GAO cannot absolutely rule out the possibility of undetected, isolated instances of deliberate obstruction. GAO's investigation was hindered by the effect of the passage of time on the availability of information and limited access to agencies' records. In any event the inherent difficulty in establishing the existence of a conspiracy must be recognized.

Recently, Service efforts in this area have improved.

The Chairman, House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, and International Law requested this report.



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